



PATENT APPLICATION

Docket No. 910458.CDA

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re App

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For

MULTILAYER EXTRUSION

OF ANGIOPLASTY BALLOONS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR APPLICATION FILED UNDER RULE 1.62 (FWC)

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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

sir:

Prior to an action on the merits of the above-identified United States patent application filed under Rule 1.62 (FWC), kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 66-70, 73, 77, 78, 81 and 82, without prejudice.

In claim 80, line 20 delete "an" and insert -- a separate --.

In claim 82, step (c) after "said expander" insert --member--.

Rewrite claim 83 in proper format as follows:

(Amended). A method of forming a multi-layer expander member and attaching same to an intravascular catheter body having an exterior surface comprising the steps of:

a) co-extruding an outer layer and an inner bonding layer to form a parison wherein the outer layer consists essentially of a polymeric film exhibiting